

Session 12-07 a Special Meeting of the Public Arts Committee was called to order on September 25, 2012 at 5:05 pm by Chair Angie Newby at the Homer City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

PRESENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEWBY AND APLIN

TELEPHONIC: COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER

ABSENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS WOLFE AND FELLOWS (EXCUSED)

STAFF: DEPUTY CITY CLERK RENEE KRAUSE

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Chair Newby requested a motion to approve the agenda.

MILLER/APLIN – MOVED TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO ADDRESS ITEM A & B UNDER NEW BUSINESS DUE TO TIME CONSTRAINTS.

There was a brief discussion.

The amended agenda was approved by consensus of the Committee.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were no comments from the audience.

### **RECONSIDERATION**

There were no items for reconsideration.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** *(Minutes are approved during regular meetings only)*

There were no minutes included for approval.

### **VISITORS**

There were no visitors scheduled.

Chair Newby recognized Dave Brann and Deb Lowney in the audience.

### **STAFF & COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS/ AND BOROUGH REPORTS**

- A. Staff Report 12-07
- B. Selection Committee Report
- C. Baycrest Improvement Committee Report

Due to time constraints these items were postponed until the special meeting in October.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

There were no items for public hearing.

**PENDING BUSINESS**

A. Airport Lettering – Progress Update

This item was postponed until the October special meeting.

B. Budget Requests 2013

Chair Newby opened discussion on this item.

Ms. Krause explained that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRC) have had the item of Uniform Signage on their Strategic Plan for a number of years as has the Public Arts Committee. The PRC has inquired and requested the PAC to work together on this project and would like the PSC to include a funding request for Uniform Signage Design in their 2013 Budget Request to Council. Ms. Krause explained that the PRC felt the PAC had a better batting average with Council in getting their budget requests approved. Staff further explained that Mr. Meyer, Public Works Director and Angie Otteson, Parks Maintenance Coordinator will be including small amounts in their budget requests for Signage also this year.

Chair Newby requested a motion.

APLIN/MILLER – MOVED TO SUBMIT A BUDGET REQUEST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2000 TO CITY COUNCIL FOR UNIFORM SIGNAGE DESIGN FOR PARKS AND TRAILS.

There was a brief discussion on the merits of pooling the PRC and PAC efforts on signage with those of the department efforts and if the amount would be appropriate.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. Scheduling a Special Meeting for October

Chair Newby opened this item for discussion inviting staff to provide some additional information on the reason behind another special meeting.

Ms. Krause explained that the Request to schedule a special meeting was to review the amended Request for Proposal that will be issued on the 1% for the Arts project of four new restrooms. The selection committee determined a number of reasons why the lack of response to the request happened and determined that it was unfair to make a decision on the proposals submitted.

There was a brief discussion on the details of the reasons to re-advertise the RFP.

MILLER/APLIN – MOVED TO SCHEDULE A SPECIAL MEETING ON OCTOBER 10, 2012 AT 5:00 P.M.

There was a brief discussion.

The motion to schedule a special meeting was approved by consensus.

B. Requesting the Baycrest Overlook Improvement Project to be Included in the 2013 – 2018 Capital Improvement Plan

Chair Newby opened discussion on the agenda item to submit a recommendation to Council to include the Baycrest project in the CIP list.

The committee reviewed the project description provided by staff and Ms. Aplin added some information that was discussed at the Baycrest committee meeting on September 18, 2012 that spurred this request to be included on the city's CIP recommendation to the Legislature for possible consideration of project funding.

Chair Newby expressed a positive outlook that getting the Council to include the project in the top recommendations would provide the Legislature some small "shovel ready" projects for funding next year according to comments and information provided to the Baycrest Overlook Improvement Committee at the recent meeting.

MILLER/NEWBY – MOVED TO SUBMIT A RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL TO INCLUDE THE BAYCREST OVERLOOK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE TOP 15 PROJECTS SUBMITTED TO THE LEGISLATURE AND IN THE 2013-2018 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

There was no further discussion.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBEJCTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

### **INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS**

A. Recommendation to Re-Advertise the Request for Proposal to Incorporate Art into Four Public Restrooms

There was no discussion on informational materials.

### **COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE**

Dave Brann, city resident and member on the steering committee for the Kachemak Bay Water Trail, was attending to ask if the Public Arts Committee would be interested when the time came to discuss signage and design thereof. He provided a brief outline on what was being proposed.

Deb Lowney, commissioner, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission was here to introduce herself and that she volunteered to be the liaison to work with the PAC and the PRC on Uniform Signage. She also wanted to thank the PAC on behalf of the Commission for including this item in their budget request for 2013.

### **COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF**

There were no comments from staff present.

### **COMMENTS OF THE COUNCILMEMBER** *(If one is assigned)*

There was no councilmember present.

### **COMMENTS OF THE CHAIR**

Chair Newby thanked everyone for attending and for Ms. Miller calling in while she was traveling. She looks forward to working with Parks & Rec on the signage and hearing more on the water trail.

**COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

Ms. Aplin commented it was a good short meeting and thanked staff for their efforts.

Ms. Miller had no comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Chair Newby adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m. The next Special Meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2012 at 5:00 pm at City Hall Cowles Council Chambers 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

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Renee Krause, CMC, Deputy City Clerk I

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